WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1 A data structure disposed before a page in a document data stream for
- 2 referencing and identifying resource objects, the data structure providing an
- 3 indication of resource objects to be made available prior to attempting to print the
- 4 page.
- 1 2. The data structure of claim 1, wherein the data structure is disposed at
- 2 a beginning of a document before a first page to providing an indication of all
- 3 resource objects that will be needed to print the document.
- 1 3. The data structure of claim 2 wherein all of the resource objects of the
- 2 document are made available prior to attempting to print the first page.
- 1 4. The data structure of claim 1 further comprising a mapping structure
- 2 for identifying images, PostScript page objects, PDF page objects, PostScript
- 3 resource objects or PDF resource objects.
- 1 5. The data structure of claim 4 further comprising a mapping structure
- 2 for identifying overlay resource objects.
- 1 6. The data structure of claim 1 further comprising a mapping structure
- 2 for identifying overlay resource objects.

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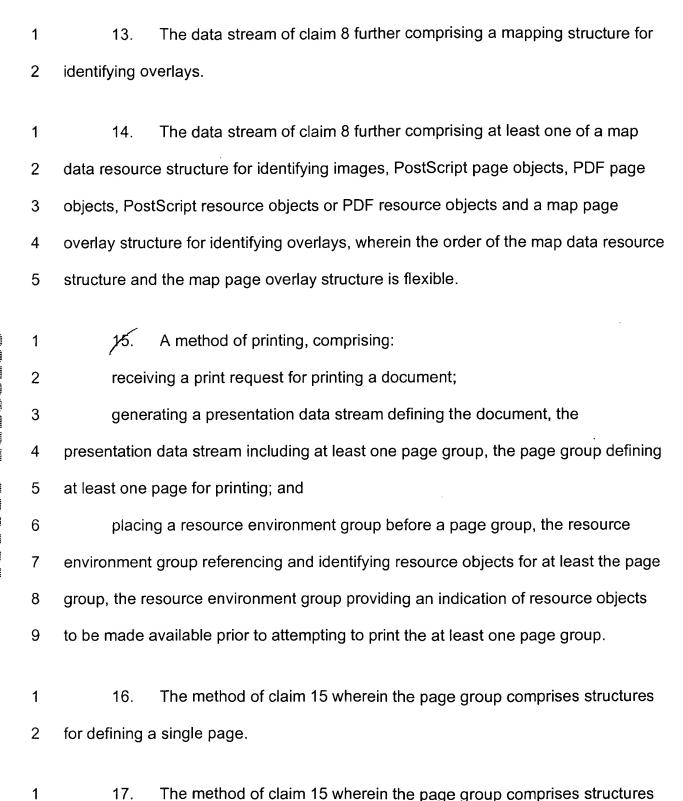
The data structure of claim 1 further comprising at least one of a map
data resource field for identifying images, PostScript page objects, PDF page
objects, PostScript resource objects or PDF resource objects and a map page
overlay structure for identifying overlays, wherein the order of the map data resource

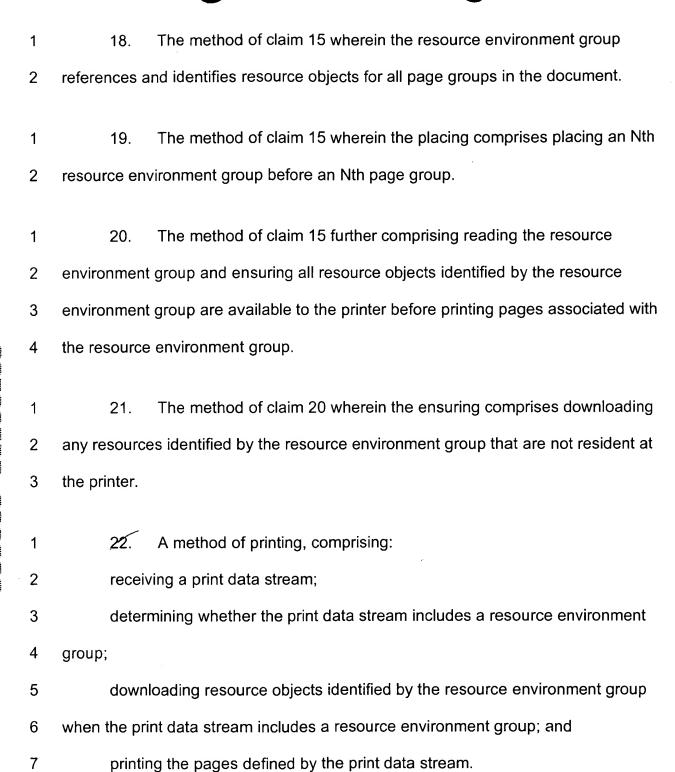
structure and the map page overlay structure is flexible.

- A data stream defining a print document, the data stream comprising at least one data structure disposed before a page in the document data stream for referencing and identifying resource objects, the data structure providing an indication of resource objects to be made available prior to attempting to print the page.
- 9. The data stream of claim 8, wherein the data structure is disposed at a beginning of a document before a first page to provide an indication of all resource objects that will be needed to print the document
- 1 10. The data stream of claim 9 wherein all of the resource objects of the document are made available prior to attempting to print the first page.
- 1 11. The data stream of claim 8 further comprising a mapping structure for identifying images, PostScript page objects, PDF page objects, PostScript resource objects or PDF resource objects.
- 1 12. The data stream of claim 11 further comprising a mapping structure for 2 identifying overlays.

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23. The method of claim 22 wherein the determining further comprises
determining whether the print data stream includes an Nth resource environment
group associated with an Nth page group and the downloading further comprises
downloading resource objects for the Nth page group identified by the Nth resource
environment group when the print data stream includes an Nth resource
environment group associated with an Nth page group.

24. A system for printing, comprising:

a document generator for generating a presentation data stream defining the document, the presentation data stream including at least one page group, the page group defining at least one page for printing and including a resource environment group before a page group, the resource environment group referencing and identifying resource objects for at least the page group, the resource environment group providing an indication of resource objects to be made available prior to attempting to print the at least one page group;

a print server, coupled to the document generator, the print server determining whether the print data stream includes a resource environment group and downloading resource objects identified by the resource environment group when the print data stream includes a resource environment group; and

a control unit, coupled to the print server, for printing the document using the resource objects downloaded by the print server.

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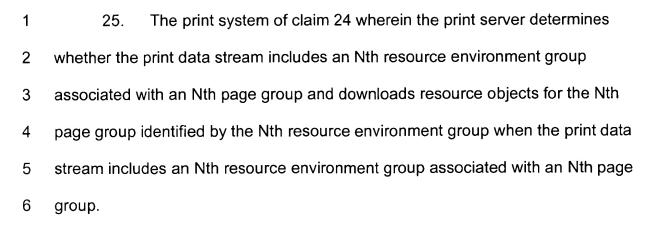
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An article of manufacture comprising a program storage medium readable by a computer, the medium tangibly embodying one or more programs of instructions executable by the computer to perform a method for printing, the method comprising:

receiving a print request for printing a document;

generating a presentation data stream defining the document, the presentation data stream including at least one page group, the page group defining at least one page for printing; and

placing a resource environment group before a page group, the resource environment group referencing and identifying resource objects for at least the page group, the resource environment group providing an indication of resource objects to be made available prior to attempting to print the at least one page group.

1	27. An article of manufacture comprising a program storage medium
2	readable by a computer, the medium tangibly embodying one or more programs of
3	instructions executable by the computer to perform a method for printing, the
4	method comprising:
5	receiving a print data stream;
6	determining whether the print data stream includes a resource environment
7	group; and
8	downloading resource objects identified by the resource environment group
9	when the print data stream includes a resource environment group;
10	printing the pages defined by the print data stream.